Preparation of Palladium Nanoclusters with both Hydrophilic and Hydrophobic Properties by Using Time-dependent and Self-regulated Surfactant

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This paper describes a novel method to synthesize nanometer-scale Pd particles which can stably be dispersed in both aqueous environments and organic solvent. Another feature of this method is that the reduction is effected by the surfactant itself without the need of any externally added reducing agent. Still another feature of this method is that the dual-hydrophilic-hydrophobic property is obtained via controlling the duration of reaction.